

# Media put down successful minorities

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Instead of being proud that one of our fellow citizens, Donovan Bailey, became the "fastest man in the world," by winning a gold medal last Saturday, the Canadian media suggested drug use and The Star brought up the issue of a stolen car.

If Bailey had taken drugs, the advanced technology of these Olympics would have detected it. And, yes, Bailey stole a car last year, which The Star felt the need to bring up in Sunday's paper.

Bailey wasn't the first to steal a car and he certainly isn't the last. Strange, that this fact from his past was brought up by The Star *after* he won a medal and became a millionaire.

All day Monday, radio shows

across Canada were saying that Bailey took drugs and that's why he won the race, and many listeners who called in had the same opinion.

Also, immediately after Bailey won, CBC's Ron MacLean said that Bailey's award would be broadcast after the drug testing. But he was quick to cover up by saying that this testing was mandatory among winners. Interesting how he brought up drug testing after Bailey's win, and not after, say, Silken Laumann's silver win.

Weeks before the race, Canadians were counting on Bailey for a medal, and now that it's done, they find it hard to believe. It seems Canadians can't handle and accept the fact that a

black man became famous and is now a very wealthy man.

All the Canadian public and media can do is try to bring down successful minority humans. These opinions of the public and the media, which are solely based on jealousy, and the unjustified hatred results in Canadians looking ridiculous and ignorant.

It's no wonder that Bailey, at his press conference, said he was a "Jamaican first." The Star also mentioned this in an attempt to make Bailey look like he wasn't proud of being Canadian. Why be proud of being part of Canada when Canada is not proud of you?

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